

# Special Appropriations

## **Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Legislation**

Chapter 212, Laws of 1998 (ESHB 6187) increases the reinstatement fee for drivers obtaining their license after a DUI from \$50 to \$150. The additional revenue is then appropriated into the County Criminal Justice Assistance Account (\$720,000) and the Municipal Criminal Justice Assistance Account (\$480,000) to reimburse local governments for their costs in implementing a variety of pieces of legislation that modify the DUI legislation laws. Statutory changes with significant fiscal impact include: reducing the per se blood alcohol concentration (BAC) from 0.10 to 0.08 for DUI; adding electronic monitoring for certain DUI offenders; modifying the five-year washout period for prior DUI convictions; limiting deferred prosecutions to once in a lifetime; making the use of ignition interlocks mandatory for certain DUI offenders; and implementing administrative license suspension for first-time DUI offenders.

## **Life Insurance**

Life Insurance benefits will be increased from \$5,000 to \$15,000 beginning January 1999 for state and higher education employees, in accordance with the settlement in *Burbage v. Washington State*.

## **Retired State Employees v. State of Washington**

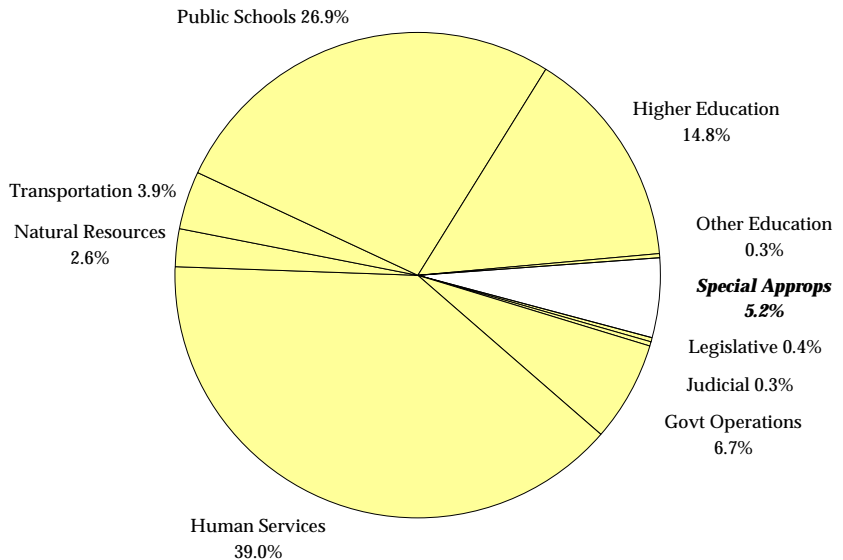
A long-standing disagreement over the calculation of retiree health benefit premiums has been resolved. Up to 19,000 retired state and higher education employees who were Uniform Medical Plan Medicare enrollees at any time from 1988-1994 will be eligible to receive a settlement from the Health Care Authority. Settlement claims will be paid from reserves in the Health Care Authority's non-appropriated Public Employees' and Retirees' Insurance Account. Funding is provided to rebuild the reserves in the Public Employees' and Retirees' Insurance Account. Health benefits of current employees and retirees will not be impacted by the use of these funds.

# 1997-99 Washington State Operating Budget

## Total Budgeted Funds

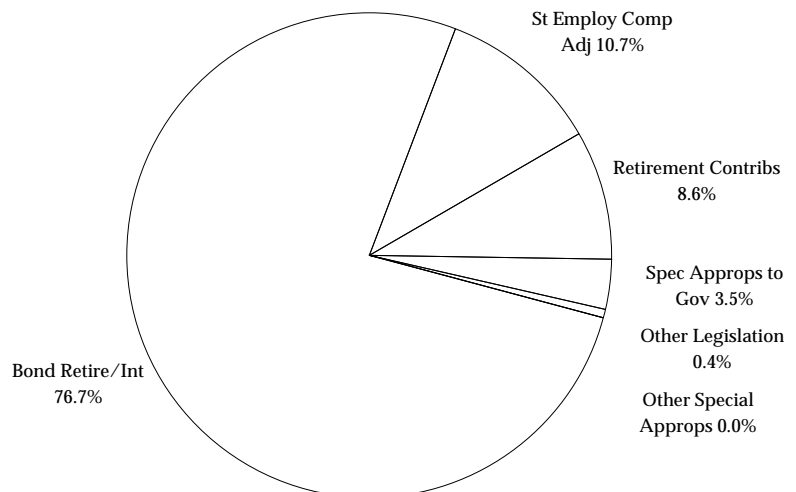
(Dollars in Thousands)

Legislative	126,659
Judicial	117,854
Governmental Operations	2,379,017
Human Services	13,918,431
Natural Resources	915,743
Transportation	1,396,695
Public Schools	9,610,676
Higher Education	5,300,152
Other Education	94,294
<b>Special Appropriations</b>	<b>1,863,566</b>
<b>Statewide Total</b>	<b>35,723,087</b>



## Washington State

Bond Retirement/Interest	1,429,923
State Employee Comp Adj	200,102
Retirement Contributions	159,600
Special Approps to Governor	66,015
Other Legislation	7,730
Other Special Approps	196
<b>Special Appropriations</b>	<b>1,863,566</b>



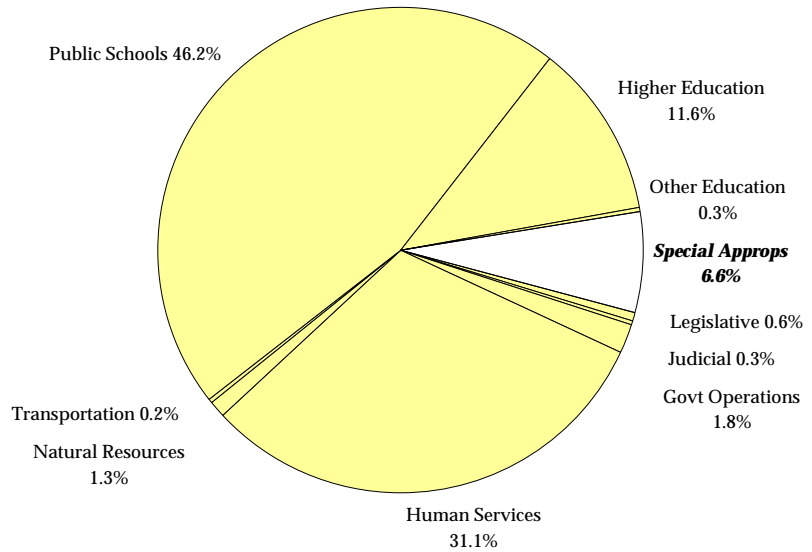
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## General Fund - State

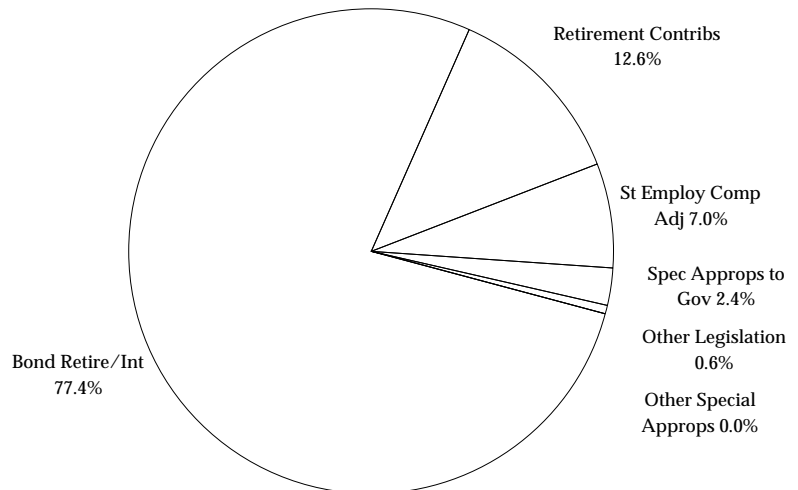
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Legislative	113,974
Judicial	60,553
Governmental Operations	348,917
Human Services	5,930,793
Natural Resources	245,199
Transportation	39,506
Public Schools	8,817,896
Higher Education	2,208,291
Other Education	50,041
<b>Special Appropriations</b>	<b>1,268,552</b>
<b>Statewide Total</b>	<b>19,083,722</b>



## Washington State

Bond Retirement/Interest	982,138
Retirement Contributions	159,600
State Employee Comp Adj	89,061
Special Approps to Governor	29,830
Other Legislation	7,730
Other Special Approps	193
<b>Special Appropriations</b>	<b>1,268,552</b>



## Special Appropriations

**Bond Retirement & Interest**

(Dollars in Thousands)

	<b>GF-S</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>1997-99 ORIGINAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>982,009</b>	<b>158,680</b>	<b>1,140,689</b>
1998 Supplemental Budget			
1. Debt Service Update	129	0	129
2. Underwriter's Discount	0	1,549	1,549
3. Technical Correction	0	1,862	1,862
<b>Total Supplemental Items</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>3,411</b>	<b>3,540</b>
<b>1997-99 REVISED APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>982,138</b>	<b>162,091</b>	<b>1,144,229</b>
Fiscal Year 1998 Total	472,016	77,658	549,674
Fiscal Year 1999 Total	510,122	84,433	594,555

**Comments:**

1. DEBT SERVICE UPDATE - The appropriations for debt service are updated to reflect the debt service cost on sales that have occurred since April 1997 and more recent interest rate estimates for future sales during the 1997-99 biennium.
2. UNDERWRITER'S DISCOUNT - The government accounting standard practice for reporting the underwriter's discount on a bond sale was revised in July 1997. Previously recorded as a reduction to revenue, the underwriter's discount is now recorded as a debt service expense. This change requires an appropriation for the discount in the debt service funds. (State Building Construction Account, Public Safety Reimbursable Bond Account, Higher Education Construction Account)
3. TECHNICAL CORRECTION - In the 1997 initiative to simplify debt service funds, the debt service for the Natural Resources Building was inadvertently omitted from the budget bill. This action corrects that omission by providing appropriation authority to pay the debt service obligation on that facility. (Debt-Limit Reimbursable Bond Retirement Account)

NOTE: Amounts shown here reflect only the Omnibus Appropriations Acts. The remainder of the Bond Retirement & Interest budget is shown in the Transportation Budget section of this document.

## Special Appropriations to the Governor

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
<b>1997-99 ORIGINAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>15,424</b>	<b>27,695</b>	<b>43,119</b>
1998 Supplemental Budget			
1. Remove Year 2000 GF-S Appropriation	-5,340	-987	-6,327
2. Year 2000 Contingency Pool	5,000	5,000	10,000
3. Year 2000 Conversion	266	4,946	5,212
4. Local Criminal Justice Funding	0	1,200	1,200
5. Approp to the Transportation Fund	12,650	0	12,650
6. Community College Capital Projects	5,200	0	5,200
7. Governor Veto - Regulatory Reform	-3,370	-3,669	-7,039
<b>Total Supplemental Items</b>	<b>14,406</b>	<b>6,490</b>	<b>20,896</b>
<b>1997-99 REVISED APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>29,830</b>	<b>34,185</b>	<b>64,015</b>
Fiscal Year 1998 Total	7,390	15,860	23,250
Fiscal Year 1999 Total	22,440	18,325	40,765

### Comments:

1. REMOVE YEAR 2000 GF-S APPROPRIATION - The Governor's veto of Section 702, Chapter 454, Laws of 1997, created duplicate General Fund-State (GF-S) appropriations for Year 2000 computer maintenance projects. This reduction reflects the technical adjustment to eliminate the duplication. Also, the Employment Security Department received unanticipated federal funds for Year 2000 conversion activities which allows a reduction to their original appropriation. (General Fund-State, Administrative Contingency Account-State, Employment Services Administrative Account-State)
2. YEAR 2000 CONTINGENCY POOL - Funding is provided for resource needs identified in Phase II of the risk assessment report and ongoing contingencies to avoid the disruption of public services. (General Fund-State, Year 2000 Contingency Revolving Account)
3. YEAR 2000 CONVERSION - Additional funding is provided for the Department of Retirement Systems, Department of Licensing, Department of Revenue, Employment Security Department, Department of Health, and the Health Care Authority to address resource shortfalls identified for Year 2000 conversion projects. (General Fund-State, various other accounts)
4. LOCAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE FUNDING - Funding is provided to local governments for the costs of implementing drunk driving legislation. Funds will be distributed to local governments through the Municipal Criminal Justice Assistance Account and County Criminal Justice Assistance Account. (Impaired Driving Safety Account)
5. APPROP TO THE TRANSPORTATION FUND - This is a one-time appropriation from the General Fund to the Transportation Fund.
6. COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAPITAL PROJECTS - Funds are provided for deposit in the Community and Technical Colleges Capital Project Account.
7. GOVERNOR VETO - REGULATORY REFORM - The Governor vetoed portions of Section 719, Chapter 149, Laws of 1997 (the 1997 biennial budget act), which provided \$7.039 million for implementation of regulatory reform legislation. Under a March 20, 1998, decision of the Thurston County Superior Court, the Governor's veto resulted in a lapse of the appropriation, and the moneys are not available for expenditure.

NOTE: Special Appropriations to the Governor received an appropriation of \$2 million in the original 1997-99 Transportation Budget.

## State Employee Compensation Adjustments

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
<b>1997-99 ORIGINAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>86,963</b>	<b>83,660</b>	<b>170,623</b>
1998 Supplemental Budget			
1. Retiree Lawsuit-Pension Funding	0	25,000	25,000
2. Retiree Lawsuit Settlement	1,768	2,007	3,775
3. Life Insurance Settlement	330	374	704
<b>Total Supplemental Items</b>	<b>2,098</b>	<b>27,381</b>	<b>29,479</b>
<b>1997-99 REVISED APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>89,061</b>	<b>111,041</b>	<b>200,102</b>
Fiscal Year 1998 Total	38,393	50,575	88,968
Fiscal Year 1999 Total	50,668	60,466	111,134

**Comments:**

1. RETIREE LAWSUIT-PENSION FUNDING - The \$25 million in the Pension Funding Account is appropriated to the Public Employees' and Retirees' Insurance Account to be used by the Health Care Authority to pay claims resulting from the settlement in Retired State Employees v. State of Washington. (Pension Funding Account)
2. RETIREE LAWSUIT SETTLEMENT - Claims resulting from the settlement in Retired State Employees v. State of Washington will be paid from reserves in the Health Care Authority's non-appropriated Public Employees' and Retirees' Insurance Account. Funding is provided to begin rebuilding the reserves. Additional funding for this item is provided in the higher education institutions' appropriations. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal, General Fund-Local, Salary and Insurance Increase Revolving Account)
3. LIFE INSURANCE SETTLEMENT - Life insurance benefits will be increased from \$5,000 to \$15,000 beginning January 1999 in accordance with the settlement in Burbage v. State of Washington. Additional funding for this item is provided in the higher education institutions' appropriations. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal, General Fund-Local and Salary and Insurance Increase Revolving Account)

**Sundry Claims**

(Dollars in Thousands)

	<b>GF-S</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
1998 Supplemental Budget			
1. Self-Defense Claims	193	0	193
2. Deer and Elk Damage Claims	0	3	3
<b>Total Supplemental Items</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>196</b>
<b>1997-99 REVISED APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>196</b>
Fiscal Year 1998 Total	193	3	196

**Comments:**

1. SELF-DEFENSE CLAIMS - On the recommendation of the Division of Risk Management, payment is provided under RCW 9A.16.110 for claims for reimbursement of legal costs and other expenses of criminal defendants acquitted on the basis of self-defense.
2. DEER AND ELK DAMAGE CLAIMS - On the recommendation of the Division of Risk Management, payment is provided under RCW 77.12.280 for claims for damages to agricultural crops by wildlife. (Wildlife Account-State)